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SUBJECT: IEA GOVERNING BOARD: SECRETARIAT NOTE ON

CONCLUSIONS OF INFORMAL AUGUST 25 MEETING

REF: OECD PARIS 21893

TEXT OF SECRETARIAT NOTE FOLLOWS: (IEA/GB(75)61)

BEGIN TEXT

AN INFORMAL MEETING OF DELEGATIONS OF PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES WAS HELD AT OECD HEADQUARTERS ON 25TH AUGUST, 1975 TO CONSIDER THE AIDE MEMOIRE DELIVERED BY THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT TO PARTICIPANTS IN THE APRIL PREPARATORY MEETING HELD IN PARIS (IEA/GB(75)59). DELEGATIONS AGREED AS TO THE IMPORTANCE OF RESUMING THE DIALOGUE PROMPTLY, AND WERE GENERALLY OF THE VIEW THAT THE PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN THE AIDE MEMOIRE FOR RESUMING THE DIALOGUE FORMED A BASIS ON WHICH PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES OF THE AGENCY COULD ACCEPT INVITATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN A NEW PREPARATORY MEETING, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:

1. AS TO OBSERVERS AT THE NEW PREPARATORY MEETING' THE STATEMENT THAT IT WILL TAKE PLACE "UNDER THE SAME RULES AND PROCEDURES (WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO OBSERVERS)" AS THE APRIL PREPARATORY MEETING SHOULD BE TAKEN TO MEAN THAT THE IEA WOULD BE REPRESENTED, THAT ALL OBSERVERS WOULD BE SEATED BEHIND THE SINGLE NAMEPLATE "OBSERVERS", AND THAT NO OBSERVER WOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO SPEAK.
2. AS TO OBSERVERS AT THE CONFERENCE OF 27, DELEGATIONS NOTED THE FRENCH SUGGESTION, PRESENTED ORALLY IN THE COURSE OF BILATERAL CONTACTS, THAT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS SHOULD BE THE ONLY OBSERVER. DELEGATIONS RECALLED, HOWEVER, THE PREVIOUS AGREEMENT IN THE GOVERNING BOARD THAT THE CONFERENCE OF 27 SHOULD BE HELD WITHOUT PARTICIPATION OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (OR THAT IF ANY INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION PARTICIPATED, THE AGENCY SHOULD BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INCLUDED ON THE SAME BASIS AS IN THE PREPARATORY MEETING); AND SOME DELEGATIONS SUGGESTED THAT CONSIDERATION MIGHT BE GIVEN TO ACCEPTING THE FRENCH PROPOSAL IF THE CONFERENCE OF 27 WERE OF THE NATURE DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPHS 3(2) AND 3(3) OF THE FRENCH AIDE MEMOIRE AND IF IT WERE CLEARLY AGREED THAT THE ABSENCE OF OBSERVERS OTHER THAN THE UN SECRETARY-GENERAL WOULD NOT

PRECLUDE THEIR PRESENCE AT ANY OTHER MEETINGS
OF THE CONFERENCE.

3. AS TO OBSERVERS IN THE ENERGY COMMISSION, THE AGENCY WOULD PARTICIPATE IN THE ENERGY COMMISSION AS AN OBSERVER; EITHER THE IEA WOULD BE SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED AS SUCH (E.G. BY THE NAMEPLATE "IEA" OR "OECD - IEA") OR ALL ORGANIZATIONS PARTICIPATING AS OBSERVERS WOULD BE SEATED BEHIND THE SINGLE NAMEPLATE "OBSERVERS"; AND ALL OBSERVERS WOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO SPEAK.
4. AT LEAST SIX MONTHS AFTER THE FIRST MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL, THE CONFERENCE MIGHT MEET AT OFFICIAL LEVEL IF THERE WERE A CONSENSUS THAT SUCH A MEETING WOULD BE USEFUL.

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5. MOST DELEGATIONS COULD ACCEPT THAT THE COMMISSIONS BE LIMITED TO 15 MEMBERS, ALTHOUGH CERTAIN DELEGATIONS EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS FOR THE REASON THAT IT MIGHT NOT PERMIT SUFFICIENT REPRESENTATION OF THE INTERESTS INVOLVED.
6. THE EXPECTATION THAT THE 19 DEVELOPING COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING IN THE CONFERENCE OF 27 SHOULD INCLUDE 8 MEMBERS OF OPEC SHOULD BE REITERATED.
7. IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE FOR SUCH MATTERS AS THE VENUE, CHAIRMANSHIP AND SUPPORT SERVICES OF THE CONFERENCE OF 27 TO BE ESTABLISHED PRIOR TO THE PREPARATORY MEETING.
8. THE AREA OF THE COMMISSION ON RAW MATERIALS MIGHT BE BROADENED TO INCLUDE "THE FIELD OF RAW MATERIALS INCLUDING FOOD PRODUCTS PRESENTING PARTICULAR INTEREST FOR PRODUCING AND CONSUMING COUNTRIES ALIKE, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON DEVELOPING COUNTRIES".
9. THE FIELD OF THE COMMISSION ON FINANCIAL AFFAIRS SHOULD NOT BE BROADENED BEYOND THAT SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH 4(6) OF THE FRENCH AIDE MEMOIRE.

IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES OF

THE AGENCY INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PREPARATORY
MEETING WOULD REFLECT THE VIEWS EXPRESSED AT THE MEETING
TO THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT IN RESPONDING TO SUCH AN
INVITATION, AND WOULD REPORT TO OTHER PARTICIPATING
COUNTRIES OF THE AGENCY SHOULD ANY SUBSTANTIVE MODIFICA-
TION BE MADE IN THE PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN THE FRENCH
AIDE MEMOIRE AS THE RESULT OF RESPONSES BY OTHER
COUNTRIES INVITED TO ATTEND THE PREPARATORY MEETING OR
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